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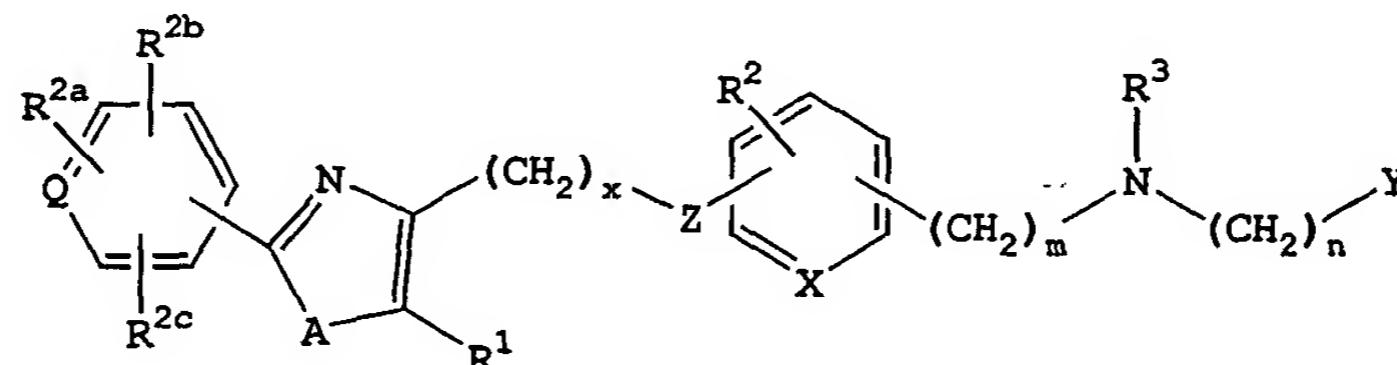
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

Please amend Claim 37 to read as follows:

-- 37. (Twice Amended) A pharmaceutical combination comprising a compound which has the structure



wherein x is 1, 2, 3 or 4; m is 1 or 2; n is 1 or 2;

Q is C or N:

A is O or S:

Z is O or a bond:

R¹ is H or lower alkyl:

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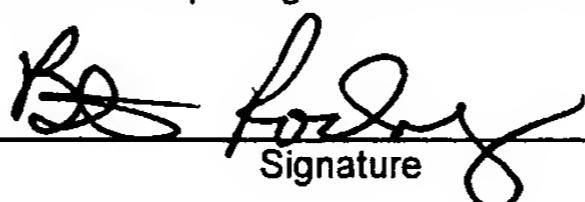
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

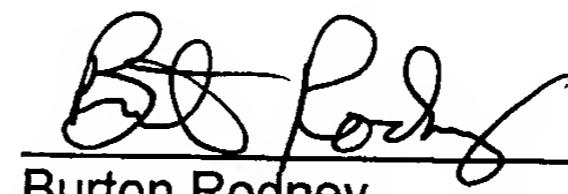
Fee calculation:

Multiple Dependent Claims (\$ 280)							\$
For	Number Presented	Number Prev. Paid	Number Extra		Rate		
TOTAL CLAIMS	25	- 23	= 2	x \$ 18	=	\$ 36	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 3	= 1	x \$ 84	=	\$ 84	
TOTAL FEE							\$ 120

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Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time.

Respectfully submitted,



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